

April 20, 2010

GENERAL ITEM NO. 1

RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT AN AWARD AND EXECUTE A SUB-GRANTEE AGREEMENT FOR THE “PUT ILLINOIS TO WORK” PROGRAM WITH HEARTLAND HUMAN CARE SERVICES, INC., AMEND CONTRACTS WITH PROVIDERS, AND INCREASE THE FY2010 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to accept an award and execute a sub-grantee agreement with Heartland Human Care Services, Inc. (HHCS) in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,400,000, increase the FY2010 comprehensive budget by an amount not-to-exceed \$1,400,000 and amend contracts with case management agencies and workforce development providers in an aggregate amount, not-to-exceed \$1,400,000 to provide up-to 2,000 CHA youth ages 18-21, non-custodial parents, and single parents with children (i.e. TANF eligible adults) with employment opportunities through the Put Illinois to Work Program.

FUNDING

No Funding Requirement

EXPLANATION

CHA received a notice of an award not-to-exceed \$1,400,000 from HHCS to provide up to 2,000 CHA youth, ages 18-21 and TANF eligible adults, with employment opportunities. CHA will partner with thirteen (13) organizations to coordinate employment opportunities and place eligible CHA residents in appropriate jobs. The organizations that CHA will partner with currently provide case management and workforce development services for CHA residents, include:

- Center for New Horizons (Contract No. 9121 for FamilyWorks);
- Central States SER Services (Contract No. 9039 for Transitional Jobs);
- Employment & Employer Services (Contract No. 9124 for FamilyWorks);
- Heartland Human Care Services (Contract No. 8035 for CabriniWorks and Contract No. 9122 for FamilyWorks);
- Holsten Real Estate Corporation (Contract No. 5164 for Community and Supportive Services),
- Jane Addams Hulls House Association (Contract No. 9125 for FamilyWorks);
- LR ABLA (Contract No. 0663 for Community and Supportive Services);
- Metropolitan Family Services (Contract No. 9123 for FamilyWorks);

- Near West Side Community Development Corporation (Contract No. 8083 for the Horner Engagement Program);
- Stateway Associates (Contract No. 5059 for Community and Supportive Services);
- TEC Services (Contract No. 9038 for Transitional Jobs);
- The Community Builders (Contract No. 0575 for Community and Supportive Services); and
- Uhlich Children's Advantage Network (UCAN, Contract No. 9126 for FamilyWorks).

Put Illinois to Work is a program created by utilizing state funds and federal stimulus dollars, and will be administered through Heartland Human Care Services. Through the Program, youth ages 18-21, non-custodial parents and single parents with children (i.e. TANF eligible adults) will be placed in temporary, subsidized positions and will learn valuable and transferable skills enhancing their long-term employment prospects. Employment opportunities will be available in a variety of fields and will last up to six (6) months. The Put Illinois to Work program is currently scheduled to end on September 30, 2010, however there is a possibility that the federal legislation underlying this program will be amended and the end date will be extended. Employment opportunities will be created through collaboration between CHA, CHA case management and workforce development service providers and community partners. HHCS, as the primary grantee, will be the employer of record responsible for processing accurate and timely payroll for the participants, while CHA will act as program manager.

CHA is requesting authorization from the Board to receive up to \$1,400,000 from HHCS, however it is anticipated that CHA may not receive this entire funding amount. The funding received will depend on negotiations with the grantee and the number of residents placed in employment through the Program.

Based upon the foregoing, it is recommended that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to accept the award and execute a sub-grantee agreement with Heartland Human Care Services, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,400,000, increase the FY2010 comprehensive budget by an amount not-to-exceed \$1,400,000 and amend contracts with case management agencies and transitional job providers in an aggregate amount, not-to-exceed \$1,400,000 to provide up-to 2,000 CHA youth ages 18-21, non-custodial parents, and single parents with children (i.e. TANF eligible adults) with employment opportunities through the Put Illinois to Work Program.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-CHA-37

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority has reviewed the Board letter dated April 20, 2010, entitled “RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT AN AWARD AND EXECUTE A SUB-GRANTEE AGREEMENT FOR THE “PUT ILLINOIS TO WORK” PROGRAM WITH HEARTLAND HUMAN CARE SERVICES, INC., AMEND CONTRACTS WITH PROVIDERS, AND INCREASE THE FY2010 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET”;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY

THAT, the Board of Commissioners authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to accept an award and execute a sub-grantee agreement with Heartland Human Care Services, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,400,000, increase the FY2010 comprehensive budget by an amount not-to-exceed \$1,400,000 and amend contracts with providers in an aggregate amount, not-to-exceed \$1,400,000 to provide up-to 2,000 CHA youth ages 18-21, non-custodial parents, and single parents with children (i.e. TANF eligible adults) with employment opportunities through the Put Illinois to Work Program.

